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May 12, 1999



Mr. A.C. Mills, Program Development Engineer  
Illinois Department of Transportation  
Division of Highways - District 4  
401 Main Street  
Peoria, IL 61602-1111

re: Environmental Impact Statements  
Macomb Area Study - (McDonough Co.)  
FAP Route 313 (Henderson & Warren Co.)  
Eastern Ring Road (Peoria, Tazewell & Woodford Co.)

Dear Mr. Mills:

This letter is in response to a fax received from your office requesting the Illinois EPA's agreement to become a cooperating Agency for the above listed IDOT projects.

The Illinois EPA would be pleased to be a cooperating agency for the three projects. We request that the draft Environmental Impact Statement fully explain the status of a cooperating agency along with the standard explanation of the Illinois EPA's role and duties under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bernard P. Killian".

Bernard P. Killian  
Deputy Director



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March 3, 1997

STUDIES & PLANS - PHASE I  
Macomb Area Study  
McDonough County  
Job No. P-94-152-91  
Catalog No. 030010-01

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Eastern Ring Road  
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FAP Route 313 (U.S. 34)  
Carman Road to Monmouth  
Henderson & Warren Counties  
Job No. P-94-030-95  
Catalog No. 031314-00

Mr. James Hartwig  
Illinois Department of Agriculture  
Division of Natural Resources  
Agriculture Building - State Fairgrounds  
Springfield, IL 62706-1001

Dear Mr. Hartwig:

This is to confirm your agreement to have the Illinois Department of Agriculture become a cooperating agency for the following projects.

1. The Macomb Area study consists of investigating bypass alignments around the city of Macomb. The proposed action involves the construction of a four-lane access controlled, divided highway. The length will be dependent on the results of the study and a chosen bypass location. The area being studied will encompass Macomb, Illinois for three miles to the south, five miles to the north, eight miles to the west, and five miles to the east.
2. The Eastern Ring Road project will study three corridors around the eastern Peoria metropolitan area which will link Illinois Route 6 on the west side of the Illinois River to Interstate 74 on the east side of the Illinois River. Communities involved include Mossville, Spring Bay, Germantown Hills, Washington, East Peoria, and Morton, Illinois. This two-year proposed project will study three corridors, select a preferred corridor for detailed engineering and environmental analysis, select a recommended alignment within the preferred corridor, and create a final corridor protection map.


3. The U.S. Route 34 project will study the construction of a four-lane divided highway in Henderson and Warren Counties, Illinois, which will be approximately 27 miles in length. The project will begin just east of Gulfport, Illinois, extending east through a corridor in the vicinity of U.S. Route 34, ending in the area of Monmouth, Illinois. The proposed route may bypass communities within its limits.

Your agency's involvement should entail those areas under its jurisdiction and no direct writing or analysis will be necessary for the documents' presentation.

We look forward to your response to this request and your role as a cooperating agency on these project. If you have any questions, would like to discuss the projects in more detail, or would like to discuss our agencies' respective roles and responsibilities, please contact Paula Green of the Illinois Department of Transportation's District 4 office at (309)671-3478.

Very truly yours,

D. E. Risinger  
District Engineer

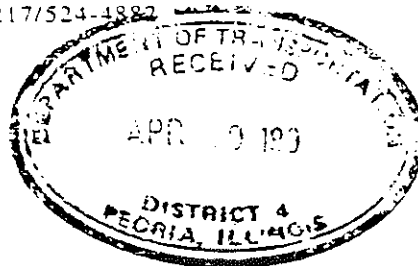
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April 28, 1999

Ms. A.C. Mills  
Illinois Department of Transportation  
401 Main Street  
Peoria, IL 61602-1111

Attn: Ms. Paula Green

Dear Ms Mills:

The Illinois Department of Agriculture (IDOA) would like to convey to you our desire to become a cooperating agency on the projects listed below.

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**STUDIES & PLANS - PHASE 1**

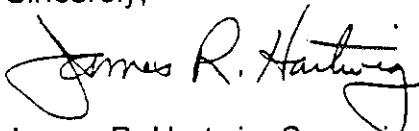
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As with other projects in which the IDOA has been a cooperating agency, we would ask that the items listed on the enclosure with this letter be assessed in any environmental documents which the District will prepare on the projects listed above. This will enable the IDOA to conduct studies of agricultural impacts to determine the projects' compliance with IDOT's Agricultural Land Preservation Policy developed in accordance with the state's Farmland Preservation Act.

Ms. Mills  
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Should you have questions on the information listed on the enclosure, please contact me as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James R. Hartwig". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "H".

James R. Hartwig, Supervisor  
Office of Farmland Protection and Mined Land Reclamation

JRH

Enclosure

cc: John Rowley, IDOT  
Kevin Rund, IFB



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Mr. Steve Hamer  
Illinois Department of Natural Resources  
Lincoln Tower Plaza  
524 South Second Street  
Springfield, IL 62701-1787

Dear Mr. Hamer:

This is to confirm your agreement to have the Illinois Department of Natural Resources become a cooperating agency for the following projects.

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